

Application Serial No. 10/655,939

Reply to Office Action Dated 03/07/2005

REMARKS

Summary

Claims 1-12 and 14 were pending. Claim 1 has been amended and Claims 15 and 16 added. No new matter has been added.

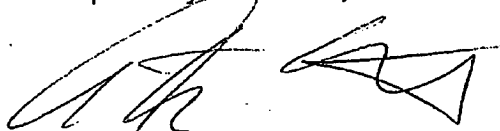
Interview Summary

Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview of August 12, 2005, in which the Examiner suggested elements that the Examiner indicated would place Claim 1 in condition for allowance. Applicants have incorporated the suggested elements into Claim 1. In addition, Applicants have added Claims 15 and 16, which incorporate the elements of Claims 9 and 10, respectively, into Claim 1 (along with intervening Claim 8) presented prior to the Office Action of March 7, 2005. In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that Claims 9 and 10 were merely were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in an independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If for any reason the Examiner is unable to allow the application and believes that a telephone interview would be helpful to resolve any remaining issues, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned agent or attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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